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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

William J. Curatolo, et al.

APPLICATION NO.: 09/803,628

Examiner: K. George

FILING DATE: March 9, 2001

Group Art Unit: 1616

TITLE: Controlled-Release Dosage Forms of
Azithromycin

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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is requested that the term for response to the Examiner's Action (rejection) in this application, mailed on June 30, 2004, and having an original period for response of 3 months, which was set to expire on September 30, 2004, be extended by 2 months, such that it expires on November 30, 2004.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$120.00 as provided for under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, as well as any additional fees required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-1445. Two copies of this paper are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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